


SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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<p>STAYING CONNECTED</p> <p>PARISH ONLINE NEWSLETTER To receive the bulletin and important announcements online, call the Parish Office to register.</p> <p>NEW PARISHIONERS Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or Bookstore.</p>	<p>THE FSSP</p> <p>St. Stephen the First Martyr is a personal parish of the Diocese of Sacramento. It is served by priests of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter.</p> 	<p>DONATIONS</p> <p>ST. BERNADETTE FUND Please consider giving to fellow parishioners in need. Donations can be made online or at the Parish Office.</p> <p>ONLINE GIVING Available at the parish website. www.sacfssp.com</p>
<p>Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping, unless you are giving online. Please pick them up in the Parish Office.</p>		

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

18 Dec	Sun	Fourth Sunday of Advent, I
	7 am	Benedict Khanh Doan
	8:30 am	+ Benjamin Yumena
	10 am	Joan Baldini
	11:30 am	+ Carolyn Green
	1 pm	<i>Pro populo</i>
	6 pm	+ Jose Yumen
19 Dec	Mon	Greater Feria of Advent, II
	7 am	+ Maryanne Lynch
	12 pm	+ Bonifacio Fontanilla
	6 pm	Debbie Reyes
20 Dec	Tues	Greater Feria of Advent, II
	7 am	George & Jean Haun
	12 pm	Monica Harris
	6 pm	Ruth McQuown
21 Dec	Wed	St. Thomas, II
	7 am	Fr John Lyons, FSSP
	12 pm	Xavier Guillen
	6 pm	Robert Pachinger
22 Dec	Thurs	Greater Feria of Advent, II
	7 am	+ Edward Haun
	12 pm	Benedict Khanh Doan
	6 pm	Jessica Harris
23 Dec	Fri	Greater Feria of Advent, II
	7 am	+ Richard Szabo
	12 pm	Anna Gomez
	6 pm	Bolen family
24 Dec	Sat	Vigil of Christmas, II
	7 am	Fr Joshua Curtis, FSSP
	8:30 am	Fr Joshua Curtis, FSSP
	12 pm	+ Benjamin Yumena

PRAYER LIST

Judi Geldermann, Elaine Testa, Monique Rance, Nancy Tostenson, Victoria Grimm, Karen Rich, Bob Crocker, Stephanie Reali-Saavedra, Theresa Reali, Ana Rosa Phomsopha, Don Varley, Arman Mazidi, Dolly Lewis, Mary Ann Cuny, Barbara Graichen, Jim Carlson, Darryl Gallagher, Helen DiCarlo, Barbara Cogan, Jordan Aranas, JoAnn Mutterties

Please keep all of the sick and homebound of the parish in your daily prayers, as well as our adult catechumens and candidates.

IN MEMORIAM

Derald Goyette, Bonnie Williams, Frank Bowa, Ramon Daley, Eileen Morrison, Richard & Louise Szabo, Cesar Oliva, Joseph Damore, Ken Taylor, Joseph Menezes, Edgardo Mercado, Barbara Jeong, Jean Haun, Rene Iway, Richard Seifert, Fiona Silverio, John Dunlap, Jeff Long, David Tostenson, Eleanor Roberts, Robert Rose, Sharon Graves, Eda Granby, Gloria Garcia, Raymond Villalpando, Rogelio Mendoza, Linda White, William Cummings, Rick Perez, Gerald Foy, Joseph Murphy, Olapeju Adesanya

PARISH GROUPS

Choir & Music Classes	Keven Smith <i>Youth & Adults, Sunday & Thursday</i>ksmith_writer@yahoo.com
Altar Guild & Altar Guild Minor	Mike Solton <i>Boys 7 - 18, Third Saturday</i> 916-832-2859
Troops of Saint George (Scouting)	James Campbell <i>Boys 6 - 18</i>JCampbell@tsgtroop750.org
Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Amy Rutschow <i>Girls 14 - 18, First Saturday</i> 916-340-5782
Rosa Mystica	Sue McGrath <i>Girls 9 - 13, First Saturday</i> 916-531-3946
Little Flowers	Megan Gury <i>Girls 5 - 8, First Saturday</i> 916-207-0498
Youth Group	Liz Hernandez <i>Ages 14 - 18, Second & Fourth Friday</i> 916-396-4062
OLSW Co-op	Inocencio Rangel <i>Ages 14 - 18, Tuesday & Thursday</i> 916-804-6359
CCM Co-op	Blanca Pimentel <i>Ages 3 - 14, Thursday</i>blancaerodria@yahoo.com
Veritas (Young Adult Group)	AJ Alvarado <i>Ages 18 - 39, Third Thursday</i> veritasnorcal@gmail.com
Adult Catechism	Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP <i>Adults, Second & Fourth Thursday</i>frcurtis@fssp.com
Chesterton Society	Spencer Roundtree <i>Adults, Second Tuesday</i> sac.chesterton@gmail.com
Knights of Columbus #16419	William Giovannetti <i>Adult men, Third Wednesday</i> 916-531-4730
Ushers	Roger Soto <i>Adult men, Sundays & Holy Days</i> 209-610-1163
Security	Patrick Clemons <i>Adult Men, Sundays & Parish Events</i> 916-717-0244
Altar Linen & Flowers Society	Tomoko McDonough <i>Adult women, Third Saturday</i> mcdonoughmommy6@gmail
Church Flowers	Greta Munsill <i>Friday or Saturday</i> 916-425-7112
Church Cleaning	Eli Gonzalez <i>Wednesday</i> 916-395-7408
Collection Count Crew	Kelly Manstch <i>Monday</i> Parish Office 916-451-5114
Brown Bag Lunch Program	Maureen Olguin <i>Sunday</i> jmolguin5960@att.net
The Gabriel Project	Catarina Hinojos <i>On call</i> 415-286-6228

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

**Mr. Jacob Kasak, FSSP; Br. Raphael Joseph Maria, COSJ;
Sr. Rose Brennan, CM**

Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in thee.

IMPORTANT DATES

Dec 24	Normal (Sat.) Mass schedule. Matins 9:30 pm.
Dec 25	Masses at 12 am, 7, 8:30, 10, 11:30 am, & 1 pm
Dec 26	Guild Ceremony at the 6 pm Mass
Jan 1	First Holy Communion registrations due
Jan 7	Christmas Party
Jan 8	First Holy Communion classes begin
Mar 13-17	Parish Mission – Fr Cassian
Apr 29	Italian Dinner
May 6, 13	First Holy Communion
May 9	Confirmations at 6 pm
May 20	Marian Procession
July 30	Summer retreat (until Aug 3)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent Tree. Consider taking an envelope from the Advent tree in the vestibule and returning a donation to the St. Bernadette Fund, which helps parishioner families in need.

Offertory envelopes for 2023 are available in the room between the office and bookstore.

Registrations for First Holy Communion. Registrations are available for children who will turn seven before May of next year. Forms can be obtained from the parish bookstore or office; they are due by **Sun, Jan 1**. Please provide a baptismal certificate with registration.

Order beeswax and other devotional candles at the bookstore. They will be blessed at Candlemas, on Feb 2. All orders must be in by Wed, Jan 4.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Vigil of Christmas (Dec 24). Masses at 7 am, 8:30 am, & noon. Matins begins at 9:30 pm.

Christmas (Dec 25). Masses at:

- Midnight (Solemn, *limited confessions between Matins and the start of Mass*)
- 7 am (*confessions beforehand as usual*)
- 8:30 am
- 10 am
- 11:30 am
- 1 pm (Sung)
- *Please note there is no 6 pm Mass.*
- *Catechism classes are cancelled on Dec 25.*

Feast of St. Stephen (Dec 26). Masses at 7 am, noon, and at 6 pm a Solemn Mass with Guild Ceremony. Reception for members of the Guild to follow in the parish hall.

Octave of Christmas (Jan 1). Normal Sunday schedule. *There will also be a fifteen decade Rosary, organized by the men of the parish, at 3 pm, for the intention of the preservation of the Latin Mass, the success of the Marian procession, and Our Lady's protection over our parish.*

Catechism classes are also cancelled on Jan 1.

Funeral Mass for Frank Bowa. Tues, Dec 20, at 10 am. Burial to follow at St. Mary's.

Catechism Classes. There will be no classes held on Sun, Dec 25 or Sun, Jan 1. *Classes will resume on Sun, Jan 8.*

Christmas Party. Mark your calendars for **Sat, Jan 7, 2023 at 5:00pm!** This fun-filled family event brings our parish family together to celebrate Christmastide. After a Chinese food buffet, many of our parishioners will be performing for us in a talent show. In past years, we have delighted in everything from musical and theatrical acts to stand-up comedy!

Tickets: Suggested donation is \$10 per person or \$25 per family. Available after all Sunday Masses, starting on **Dec 4**.

Auditions: Do you have a musical or unique talent that you would like to perform at this event? Auditions are now open through December (or until all time slots are filled) and usually close quickly! Contact information is below.

Volunteers: Last, but most importantly, we need many volunteers. I know many of you are generous with your time and energy, and we appreciate all that you do for our parish. There are many opportunities and positions that still need to be filled. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Contact: Yesenia Rangel at YeseniaLovesLife@gmail.com or leave a voicemail at 916-682-9600.

Volunteer Form: <https://forms.gle/PucVcdMCZdcqsRaBA>



Summer Retreat - 2023. "*The Transcendent Joy of the Mass of the Ages.*" Silent retreat; Father Jacob Hsieh, O.Praem., July 30 - Aug 3. \$750 / person. Private room & bath, all meals included. Christ the King Retreat Center. Register: 916-407-7930, or inquire at St. Stephen's office or bookstore.

FSSP Italy Pilgrimage. Oct 16 - 23, 2023. Chaplain: Fr Akers, FSSP. Rome, Assisi, Florence, Arezzo, Padua, & Venice. For details, contact Brandon Blackford at 916-223-9766, or go to: <https://www.syversentouring.com/italy-fssp>.

Sunday Coffee. Join us every in classroom 1 following the 7:00, 8:30 and 10:00 am Masses for fresh coffee & the opportunity to build community with fellow parishioners.

*Please note there will **not** be coffee on Christmas Sunday.*

Volunteers needed for Sunday Coffee. Please see the link for more information (or email [jmjhensons@icloud.com](mailto:jmhensons@icloud.com)):

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AAFAC2CA7F4C16-Sunday>



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 His number is 530-704-8392.